

Decision 26-08-016 August 13, 2026

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the North American
Numbering Plan Administrator, on behalf
of the California Telecommunications
Industry, for Relief of the 626 Numbering
Plan Area.

Application 25-02-004

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE

Summary

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding until February 19, 2027.

1. Background

Public Utilities Code (Pub. Util. Code) Section 1701.5(a) provides that the Commission shall resolve the issues raised in the scoping memo of a ratesetting proceeding within 18 months of the date the proceeding is initiated, unless the Commission makes a written determination that the deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending that deadline. The current statutory deadline for this proceeding is August 20, 2026.

North American Numbering Plan Administrator, on behalf of the California Telecommunications Industry (Applicant), filed Application (A.) 25-02-004 on February 20, 2025, for relief of the 626 Numbering Plan Area (NPA).

On April 25, 2025, the assigned Administrative Law Judge held a prehearing conference to address the issues of law and fact, determine the need

for hearing, set the schedule for resolving the matter, and address other matters as necessary.

On November 21, 2025, Applicant filed a supplement to its application that extended the projected exhaust date of the 626 NPA from the fourth quarter of 2027 to the first quarter of 2029. Then, on April 15, 2026, Applicant filed another supplement to its application that extended the projected exhaust date of the 626 NPA from the first quarter of 2029 to the first quarter of 2030. The Applicant has twice amended the projected exhaust date of the 626 NPA to a date several years away. As such, the Commission needs additional time to evaluate the application and determine the best course of action as it relates to the new projected exhaust date. Therefore, an extension of the statutory deadline until February 19, 2027, is necessary and appropriate.

2. Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of proposed decisions extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. Accordingly, the otherwise applicable period for public review and comment is being waived.

3. Assignment of Proceeding

Matthew Baker is the assigned Commissioner and Suman Mathews is the assigned Administrative Law Judge in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact

1. A.25-02-004 was filed on February 20, 2025.
2. The current statutory deadline for A.25-02-004 is August 20, 2026.
3. A.25-02-004 cannot be completed by August 20, 2026.

4. An extension of the statutory deadline until February 19, 2027, is necessary to allow adequate time to complete this proceeding.

Conclusion of Law

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commission under Pub. Util. Code Section 1701.5(a), the statutory deadline should be extended until February 19, 2027.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the statutory deadline in this proceeding is extended until February 19, 2027.

This order is effective today.

Dated August 13, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

JOHN REYNOLDS

President

DARCIE L. HOUCK

KAREN DOUGLAS

MATTHEW BAKER

CHRISTINE HARADA

Commissioners